

CONSERVATION COMMISSION PUBLIC HEARING  
APRIL 24, 2001

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Vivianne G. Marcotte, Chairperson. Present were Ralph Fatello, Ellen Goethel, Nancy Olney, Peter Tilton Jr. and Bonnie Thimble.

Absent was Dan Gangai. Alternates attending were Dr. Ralph Falk and Fred Palazzolo.

Ellen Goethel abstained from voting as she was not sworn in yet.

The Minutes of March 27, 2001 were reviewed. Ms. Olney motioned to approve the Minutes with corrections as noted, seconded by Mr Tilton. All were in favor.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION

Dr. Alan Ammann, Biologist from the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) and Ron Sher, Senior Scientist from Seabrook Station addressed the Commission. They addressed the Commission to discuss culvert replacement at Huckleberry Lane. NRCS would provide 75% of the cost and Seabrook Station would donate \$10,000. The total project cost would be around \$40,000. An engineering study is to be done regarding flooding in the area. Ms. Marcotte called for a vote to forward with this project. Mr. Tilton motioned to apply for the Grant from NRCS, seconded by Ms. Olney. With Mrs. Goethel abstaining, all were in favor. (Mrs. Goethel was not yet sworn in for her third term.)

NH WETLAND APPLICATIONS

- A. Richard G. Phillips  
1060 Ocean Blvd.

This application is for the repair of the rip rap wall. After a short overview of the application, Mr. Tilton motioned not to oppose this application, seconded by Ms. Thimble. With Ms. Goethel abstaining all were in favor.

- B. Myra Driscoll  
422 High St

Mr. Jamie Long, NH Soils Consultants Inc., addressed the Commission. This Wetland Application and Special Permit Application are for the driveway crossing over wetland to get to a lot to build a home. After the overview Mr. Tom Driscoll addressed the Commission. Ms. Thimble stated she would like to keep the driveway away from the wetland. It was also the consensus of the Commission that it is not keeping with the Town's Wetlands Ordinance as there are 400 sq. ft of wetland involved and 3,920 sq. ft. of total impact. Ms. Thimble motioned to recommend that the Special Permit not be granted because of the amount of impact in the buffer. This was seconded by Ms. Olney. With Ms. Goethel abstaining, all were in favor.

SPECIAL PERMITS

- A. Myra Driscoll  
422 High St.

Please see above NH Wetland Bureau Application.

SPECIAL PERMITS (Cont)

B. Sharon Delmore  
563 Ocean Blvd

Mr. Tom Delmore addressed the Commission. Mr. Delmore returned to the Commission with a new configuration of the plan. The new plan is for 675 sq. ft. of impact. This is for the demolition and construction of a duplex. The parking will be underneath the building. Mr. Flemming, an abutter, came to the meeting to hear the plans. He was not aware of the last month's meeting. After a discussion, Mr. Tilton motioned to recommend the granting of the Special Permit with the notification of start and finish of the project and to have erosion control. Silt fence should be removed after completion. This was seconded by Ms. Thumble. With Mrs. Goethel abstaining, all were in favor. As a State Permit is also needed, Mr. Tilton motioned to send this recommendation to the State when it arrives, seconded by Ms. Olney. All were in favor.

C. Tide Mill Road, LLC  
94 Tide Mill Rd.

This Special Permit is for the expansion of an existing building. There will be a temporary impact to the wetland. It was the consensus of the Commission to have a Soils Scientist inspect the area and have an analysis of ground water flow and do borings to see what is under the ground. There were questions of the surface drainage on site and the disturbance of soils. The recommendation was made to have a State Wetlands Representative look at the area. The applicant is to return with answers to all environmental issue questions.

PRELIMINARY REVIEW

Mark West  
Walker Circle

Mr. Mark West and Mr. Tom Nigrelli addressed the Commission. This was a preliminary presentation with no application. This review is for the construction of 113 elderly housing apartments. The age range is 55 years and older. Parking will be underneath the building. A site walk is planned for Monday, May 7<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. The site walk is needed before the application or permit is submitted.

PLANNING BOARD REFERRALS

A. Sea Oaks  
404-400 High St.

This referral is for construction of four condo units. There are no conservation concerns. Ms. Marcotte will notify the Planning Board.

B. Mulcahy/Chisholm  
2 Tide Mill Rd.

This is for a 3 lot subdivision. It was the consensus of the Commission that there were no wetlands involved, therefore, no concerns.

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- C. Barney  
407 Exeter Rd.

This referral is for a 3 lot subdivision. The Commission had concerns with the uplands and the loss of wildlife habitat. Ms. Marcotte will send a letter to the Planning Board

WETLAND BUREAU ACTIONS

- A. Rock – 1036 Ocean Blvd.  
Permit granted. Still waiting for possible fines.
- B. Foss – NHDES public hearing was held on 04/16/01.

OLD BUSINESS

- A. Island Path Project

Mrs. Goethel met with Tracey Degnan. Tracey made a proposal and Mrs. Goethel read several Drafts outlining the steps of completion for Island Path project. The cost to get the project started is \$1200. There needs to be a wetlands delineation and a sketch of the area needs to be done. Mrs. Goethel will also contact Phil Auger. The sumac needs to be cut in the area. Ms. Thimble motioned to hire Tracey for the grant writing for the project pending the funds from Foss. Mr. Tilton seconded the motion. With Mrs. Goethel abstaining, all were in favor.

- B. Membership

Mrs. Goethel needs to be sworn in.

- C. Conservation Land Markers

The Commissioners have chosen the markers they would like to use and Mr. Fatello will have them made.

- D. Scholarships

Mrs. Goethel had received one application from the High School. She will contact the High School to discuss the decision. She will also contact the Jr. High.

- E. White's Lane Clean-Up

Mr. Fatello reported that paint ball remnants were found in White's Lane. He will contact Mr. Hangen. Mrs. Goethel will also find out about a special town meeting. A discussion ensued on what type of signs should be posted.

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NEW BUSIENSS

A. Victory Garden

Ms. Thimble stated that there is a meeting on Thursday, April 26, 2001.

CORRESPONDENCE

Ms. Marcotte reviewed seminars, brochures and workshops.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Ms. Marcotte reviewed the Treasurer's Report.

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 22, meeting in the Town Office Meeting Room at 7:00 p.m. The next site walk will be held on Monday, May 21, meeting in the Town Office Parking Lot at 6:00 p.m.

Mr. Tilton motioned to adjourn at 11:00 p.m. seconded by Ms. Olney. All were in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Sue Launi  
Secretary